(c) if so, the number of allottees provided with land and other required infrastructures during the said period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) During the last 3 years, 366 petrol/diesel retail outlets, 77 SKO-LDO dealedrships and 205 LPG distributorships were awarded to SC/ST persons in the country.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) 184 retail outlets, 26 SKO-LDO dealerships and 69 LPG distributorships have so far been commissioned under this scheme.

Working of pager companies in the country

1142. SHRI SURINDER KUMAR SINGLA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of pager companies which have come into existence in various cities, their names and the cities where they operate;

(b) what is the average cost per unit incurred by the pager companies;

(c) what is the average price per unit charged by the companies; and

(d) what is the extent level and type of control exercised by Government orver such companies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) The details of operator companies, which have started Radio Paging Service in various cities is given in statement. (*See* below)

(b) The Government does not have these figures readily available, since as per the licence agreement, operator companies shall install, operate and maintain the Radio Paging System and they will incur all the costs for the system.

(c) The cost of pager unit will depend on the facilities type and manufacturer company. However, the subscribers are free to purchase unit from any source as per the terms and conditions of the licence agreement.

(d) The Government has fixed ceiling tariffs within which the operators shall charge from the subscribers. Also the Government has the right to monitor the quality of service as and when required.

Statement

Radio Paging Services

Sl. No.	Name of the Company	Cities	Service Commenced
1.	M/s. Page Point Services (India) Pvt. Ltd., 29, Bank Street, FORT, Bombay—400 023	Bombay, Bangalore, Pune, Hyderabad	Yes (except Pune & Hyderabad)
2.	M/s. Microwave Communciations Ltd., 1202, Chiranjiv Tower, 43, Nehru Place, New Delhi—110 019	Bombay, Calcutta, Vadodara, Rajkot Ahmedabad, Surat Delhi	Yes
3.	M/s. Usha Martin Telecom Ltd., 16, Community Centre, Saket, New Delhi—110 017	Madurai, Rajkot, Ernakulam, Indore, Coimbatore, Vishakpatnam, Jaipur	Yes
4.	M/s. BPL System and Projects Ltd., 64 Church Street, Bangalore—560 001	Ernakulam, Trivandrum	Yes

Sl. No.	Name of the Company	Cities	Service Commenced
5.	M/s. Hutchison Max. Telecom., 12th Floor, Devika Tower, 6, Nehru Place, New Delhi.	Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Pune, Vadodara, Chandigarh, Huderabad, Ludhiana	Yes
6.	M/s. RPG Paging Services Ltd., Sang, Cinema Complex, Sector IX, R.K. Puram, New Delhi—110 022	Delhi, Madras, Ahmedabad	Yes
7.	M/s. Modi Telecommunications Ltd., 12, Friends Colony, New Delhi—110 065.	Madras, Kanpur Jaipur, Chandigarh, Lucknow, Indore, Varanasi, Calcutta	Yes (except Varanasi & Calcutta)

Derailments/Accidents of Train

1143. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more derailments, accidents and other mechancial failures leading to accidents in South Central Railways are occurring at night;

(b) whether any analysis of accidents has been done over the past three years;

(c) if so, what were the findings with respect to time; and

(d) whether any causal factors have been identified by the South Central Railways?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) to (d) Category-wise break-up of Consequential train accidents that took place during the last three years on South Central Railway during day time and night time and broad courses thereof are as under:—

	Day Time	Night Time
I. Accident		
Collisions	1	10
Derailments	61	70
Level crossing accidents	12	8
Fire in trains	1	—
Total	75	88
II. Broad Causes		
Failure of railway staff	50	56
Failure of other than railway staff	15	
Failure of equipment	3	16
Sabotage	3	4
Incidential	4	2
Cause could not be established	—	1
Under investigation	—	1
Total	75	88